

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Kindly amend the drawings, without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents, as follows:

Please replace previously filed Figure 4 with the new Figure 4 as attached hereto.

REMARKS

The present amendment serves to obviate the objection to Figure 4 as having been filed in color, and not being distinguishable when printed in black and white. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendment herewith renders the objection moot. A new Figure 4 has been provided wherein the colors used in the graph have been replaced with prints in black and white. Applicants respectfully submit that submission of the new Figure 4 does not constitute new matter as the content of the Figure has not been altered. Consequently, reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection to the drawings is respectfully requested.

Examiner Mosher is thanked for the courtesies extended during the October 14, 2008 telephone call with the undersigned wherein Examiner Mosher indicated that corrected Figure 4 was not present in the file. Applicants respectfully submit that such inadvertent omission is corrected herein.

REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW

If any issue remains as an impediment to allowance, an interview with the Examiner is respectfully requested prior to issuance of any paper other than a Notice of Allowance. The Examiner is additionally respectfully requested to telephonically contact the undersigned to arrange a mutually convenient time and manner for the interview.

CONCLUSION

In view of these amendments and remarks, the application is in condition for allowance. Early and favorable reconsideration of the application, reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections and rejections, and prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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